SIR GEORGE WILLIAMS UNIVERSITY

Poetry 7

FOURTH READING

Dennis Lee

Friday, February 16th, 1973. 9:00 P.M. Large Galley, Mezzanine Floor Hall Building

ADMISSION FREE

Dennis Lee, born in Toronto in 1939, studied and taught at Victoria College. He was a founding member and former resource person at Rochdale College, and is Editor of the House of Anansi. His volumes of poetry include Kingdom of Absence (1967) and Civil Elegies (1968).

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I seen a
thirty dirty ladies on a pink kazoo
interdigitating while they masticated glue.
I did not know their surnames, I could not speak first
but I was laughing, and they sure looked fine.

And I got a lot of kicks, because the ladies burped out loud.
Then they all took out their dentures and I saw into their mouths.
They interlinked their fingers just like dancing ladies do
and they kissed each other's armpits while they sang God Save the Queen.

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FINAL READING THIS SESSION

March 16th - Michael Benedict